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This is more or less an experiment. Instead of three News Letters a year it has been proposed that we issue five small sheets similar to this one at intervals of two months, and publish one large bulletin in the summer. The large issue would carry a full account of Alumnae Day, business transacted, Chapter reports, etc. In this way you will hear more often from the College and get the news before it is old. This has not been adopted as a definite plan—it is a try out.

ALUMNAE NEWS

ALUMNÆ DAY

Alumnæ Day isn't nearly the problem it used to be. The uncertainty and suspense of several years ago—wondering if anybody was coming has passed. "Old girls" everywhere realize that they have a standing invitation to be guests at the college for commencement, and they are already writing in to us "I shall be back for the week-end May 24-27. I don't want to miss another Alumnæ Day!" Many girls are thus signifying their intention of increasing the jollification of the Day (Monday, May 26th) which has become such an important part of commencement. We trust that this cordial invitation will bring you back, too.

The procedure of the day will vary a little this year from the regular routine. We will hold an Alumnæ Breakfast at the home of Margaret Kable Russell at 10:00 a. m., at which time the regular business will be transacted. Class luncheons will be a new feature of the day and in the afternoon the lovely May Day exercises will be held. Eight o'clock in the evening will find all our alumnæ seated at the banquet with the "old girls" of their time.

As you know, October 4th, of this College year was the 100th anniversary of Miss Baldwin's birth. We are eager to celebrate the occasion on our Annual Alumnæ Day. With this in mind we are planning the program of entertainment at the Banquet, and there will be many well known and much loved alumnæ of various classes taking part.

Because we intend to eventually put in the Dix System of Reunion, as a starter we are concentrating on two groups. We know the girls of '03, '04, '05, '06, are particularly interested in returning this year, because Mary Turk, '06, the Alumnæ Secretary, has received many promises from girls of those years to be here. If you have not already promised—do it now! Write us!

The other group that is coming in for special attention is '12, '13, '14, '15. Because so many of these girls have already "signed up" for Alumnæ Day we are hoping that their school-mates will be here to enjoy it with them.

ALUMNÆ DAY MAY 26, 1930

10:00 a. m.—Alumnæ Breakfast, followed by Business Meeting, both at home of Mrs. Thos. H. Russell at S. M. A.

1:00 p. m.—Class luncheons.

4:30 p. m.—May Day given on the College Campus by the students.

8:00 p. m.—Alumnæ Banquet—Anniversary Celebration.

All alumnæ are invited as guests of the college for commencement. There are no charges except a fee of \$1.00 for the Banquet.

Write to three of your old school friends and urge them to meet you here. Even if you are not entirely sure write, and tell us you are planning to come and WHEN!

OLD ALUMS—YOUNG ALUMS—EVERYBODY COME!

BOOKS

As you know the latest undertaking of the Alumnae Association has been the securing of 3,000 books for the College Library. This was necessary because the requirements for Grade A Colleges have been increased to 12,000 volumes. The Alumnae have responded splendidly, but as yet we have not received the required number. Even though May 1 has passed and you have not sent yours, or have more you can send, won't you forward them immediately to the Alumnae Office, Mary Baldwin College.

CHAPTER NEWS

The local chapters have been quite active this year and we are proud of their achievements. They are contributing to the Budget and strengthening the Association in every possible way. Whenever it was possible Mary Turk, '06, Alumnae Secretary, and President Jarman attended the meetings. They gave the chapters news of the activities and plans of the National Association, of the other chapters, and of the college.

BENEFITS GIVEN BY CHAPTERS

- January 22—LynchburgCard Party.
February 19—RichmondMusical Tea—Les Chantants—at home
Eva *Bowe* Stern '91.
March 8—New York CityKatherine Tift Jones—Reader—at the
Barbizon Club.

BUSINESS MEETING OF CHAPTERS

- February 29—LexingtonTea at home of Eddie *Scott* Jones '89,
Mary Turk, Dorothy *Morriss* Fauver and
two of the college girls present.
March 8—New York CityElection of Officers, Mary Turk present.
Held at the Barbizon Club.
April 9—LynchburgTea at home of Alice *Aunspaugh* Kyle
'88. Election of Officers, Mary Turk
present.
April 11—RichmondTea at home of Eva *Bowe* Stern '91.
Election of Officers, Mary Turk present.
April 15—CharlotteLuncheon at Myers Park Country Club.
Mary Turk and President Jarman present.
April 16—AtlantaTea at home of Passie *McCabe* Ottley
'83. Election of Officers. Mary Turk
and President Jarman present.
April 26—BirminghamTea at home of Ruby *Munger* Mont-
gomery '06. Mary Turk present.
April 26—WashingtonTea at home of Catherine *Shuey* Kap-
pler '03.
May 3—Lower ValleyLuncheon at home of Frances *Capper*
Rodman '21. Election of Officers. Mary
Turk present.
May 7—RoanokeTea at home of Augusta *Glass* Allen '16.
Election of Officers. Mary Turk present.
May 13—StauntonElection of Officers. Talks by Mary
Turk and President Jarman. Tea at the
college.

BIRTHS

Louise *Priddie* Donovan '99, has a son, Gerald Donovan, Jr., born August 30, 1929.

Archer *Hogshead* Tullidge '18, has a third son, Archer Kilbourne, born March 24, 1930.

Dorothy *Peltus* Ford '20, has a baby, born December 22, 1928, named Anna Childress.

Jean *Daugherty* Thomas '21, has a baby girl, born in April, 1930.

Margaret *Builder* Benners, '22, has a second daughter, Margaret, born November 14, 1929.

Margaret *Spragins* Howell '22, has a son, Clewell Howell II, born February 18, 1930.

Dorothy *Shoemaker* Lance '22, has a daughter, born November 16, 1929, named Carolyn Powers Lance.

Mary Hamilton *Williams* Walker '25, has a daughter, born in December, 1929.

Caroline *Thrift* McGehee '26, has a young son, born in January, 1930.

A daughter, Betty, was born on February 4, 1930, to Sara Mason *Martin* McRoberts '26, of Jackson, Miss.

DEATHS

Mary *Gower* Cross '70, August 14, 1929, Greenville, S. C.

Mattie *Jones* Tate '71, November, 1929, at her son's home in Nashville, Tenn.

Alice *McClure* Bougere '78, of Syracuse, N. Y., at her son's home in New Orleans, September, 1929. Interred in Covington, La.

Lyde *Dunlop* Edwards '82, New Orleans, La., Dec. 28, 1929. Buried in Virginia.

Bessie *Summerson* Houck '94, January 14, 1930, in Harrisonburg, Va.

Penelope *Crocheron* Wharton '98, November 3, 1928, in Gadsden, Ala.

Rebecca *Smyth* Wales '06, May 30, 1929, in Norfolk, Va.

Donna (5 cts.) *Deister* Weibel '09, January 30, 1930, in Charlottesville, Va. Her body was taken to Live Oak, Fla., for burial.

Katherine Ramer '17, Jan. 17, 1930, at her home in Westminster, Md.

MARRIAGES

King Nelson '13, of Staunton, Va., to Dwight Chamberlain, of Lyons, N. Y. March 6, 1930. They went abroad on their wedding trip.

Emily Glover Caldwell '19, to Lawrence C. McLean, August 17, 1929, in McPhersonville, S. C.

Rachel Griggs '19, of Athens, Ga., to Edison C. Westbrook, April 29, 1930.

Elizabeth Nelson '21, of Roanoke, Va., to Louis R. Showalter, on February 26, 1930. Address, Mountain View Apts., South Roanoke, Va.

Maitland Thompson '22, of Washington, D. C., to Dr. R. Z. Linney, December 23, 1929. Address, 1810 Pine Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Martha Boxley '22, to Edward H. Trigg, January 25, 1930, at Orange, Va. Address, Stuart Circle Apts., Richmond, Va.

Janice Wilmeth '24, to Bernhard H. Menke, March 20, 1930, at Miami Beach, Fla. Charlotte Roehm '25, was maid of honor. The Menkes are living in Richmond, Va.

Eleanor Eastman '25, to Charles Rogers Fenwick, December 10, 1929, at Falls Church, Va. Address, East Falls Church, Va.

Susan R. Herriott '25, of Romney, W. Va., to Francis LaMarr Rozelle, January 7, 1929. Address, Talladega, Ala.

Anna Harriet Shewmake '25, of Atlanta, Ga., to Rufus Gerard Thayer, December 26, 1929.

Helen Lewis '25, to W. Marvin Groce, January 4, 1928. They are living in Philadelphia, Pa.

Hallie Latta '26, of Wheeling, W. Va., to Dallas F. Waterfield, January 1, 1930. Address, Fort Wayne, Texas.

Dorothy Dils '28, to Theodore D. Morlang, January 1, 1930. Address, Parkersburg, W. Va.

Mary Lou Harris, '28, of Staunton, Va., to Cullen Fleet Chew, on January 7, 1930. Address, Waynesboro, Va.

NEWS OF THE COLLEGE

MISS HIGGINS' RESIGNATION

Miss Marianna P. Higgins has resigned from the office of Dean of Mary Baldwin College to become the Principal of Beverley Hall, a boarding and day school for girls which has been established in the environs of Staunton. Miss Higgins has rendered an inestimable service to both the Seminary and the College and has endeared herself to Mary Baldwin girls. Though we regret sincerely that she has severed her connection with the college we realize that her ability and personal charm fit her admirably for the new work she has chosen.

ACADEMIC

The apportionment of the College Budget for 1930-31 makes possible an increase in salaries sufficient to secure as head of each of the college departments a person holding a Ph. D. degree or its equivalent, thereby, in these matters, meeting the requirements of the highest accrediting agencies.

REGISTRATION

Reports from the Registrar's office show that prospects for 1930-31 are most encouraging. A large percentage of the present student body is returning. Registrations are coming in even faster than last year—already ten states are represented in the registrations in the Freshman Class for 1930-31. In the matter of personnel of the student body, every alumna can be of real service to her Alma Mater. Surely we all know girls graduating from preparatory and high schools this year and next, whom we would like to see at Mary Baldwin. Send their names and addresses to President Jarman—*now*.

TEAR HERE

Date.....

Renew my

OR

**I do hereby apply for Membership in the
MARY BALDWIN ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION**

Name when Enrolled at M. B. C.

Present Name and Address

Dates of Years spent at M. B. C.

Day and Month of Birth

Mail this Slip with \$1.00 to Alumnae Secretary, Mary Baldwin College,
Staunton, Virginia

If you are already a member and have paid your dues for 1930 disregard
this slip

TEAR HERE

ADVANCE ORDER

Alumnae Secretary, Mary Baldwin College, Staunton, Va.

I hereby subscribe for one copy of the Mary Baldwin Alumnae Directory, for which I hereby agree to pay \$1.15 (\$1.00 cost of book, .15 approximate postage) upon delivery of the Directory. Mail this slip now to assure your copy.

Signed.....

DO YOU KNOW

Our oldest living alumna is Elizabeth Emma *Stephens* Carmack, of Handley, Texas. She is 98 years old and came as a student to the Augusta Female Seminary in 1845. She has written us some delightful articles for the *Summer News Letter*.

Sallie *Mathews* Girdwood '77, of Luddington Rd., West Orange, N. J., has become a life member of the association.

Elizabeth *McCue* Dahlgren '80, conducts a Woman's Exchange with antiques at Dunn, N. C.

Electra Pearl *Baker* Long '89, of Los Angeles, Calif., is prominent in the affairs of that city and is a past president of The Ebells—a literary philanthropic club of 3,000 members.

Ida *Caldwell* McFaddin '91, of Beaumont, Texas, is very active in social civic and church affairs. She has been the local regent of the D. A. R., and has been nominated as a candidate for the office of State Regent of Texas.

Alice *Murphey* Dice '93, has a son graduating from West Point in June. She will hereafter be with him at his post.

Nancy McFarland '96, head of Latin and Greek Departments at M. B. C., wrote a very interesting and illuminating history of her Alma Mater for the *Christian Observer*. It has been copied in many of the church papers and in several college publications.

Abbie McFarland '98, librarian at the college, was chosen by the Senior Class for Sponsor.

Rizpah Dudley '00, has received her M. A. degree from Columbia and her Teacher's College diploma as supervisor of practice teaching in a teacher's college.

Tallulah Bankhead '14, noted American actress, appeared in London as the heroine of "La Dame aux Camellias."

Izzie *Thrift* Ranson '21, is living in Singapore for four years. She has two sons, six and four years old.

Vivian Morgan '22, graduated from the Central School of Hygiene and Physical Education, New York City, in '24, and later studied with Albertina Rasch. She danced with the ballet in Rio Rita.

Lucy Lampkin '23, graduated at the University of Georgia and studied dancing with Doris Humphrey, Charles Weidman, and the Marshes. She is teaching in Athens, Ga., in the winter, and at U. of Ga., Summer School.

Lois Lampkin '23, has her Master's and Bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia and is teaching in Tallahassee, Fla.

Jane Robinson '27, is a student in the Filene's training department for advertising copy writing. Address 114 Larch Road, Cambridge, Mass.

Louise Berman '27, is studying law in Norfolk, Va.

Bertha Goodman '27, is private secretary to a surgeon in Philadelphia. Address 6333 Burbridge street.

Edith Lee Spinks '27, is a student at New River State School, Montgomery, W. Va.

Mildred Loewner '28, of Harrisonburg, recently took part in a Little Theatre recital at Norfolk.

Nancy Cooper Johnson '29, is teaching in St. Leonard's by the Sea, in Ventnor, N. J.

The following alumnae have recently visited the college: Annie *Walker* St. Clair '88, of Tazewell, Va., and Lucy Walker '88, Bessie *Osborn* Scudder '06, Red Bank, N. J., Margaret *St. Clair* Moore '16, Bluefield, W. Va., Dora *Voitus* '21, of New York City; Margaret *Foreman* Love '24, Elizabeth City, N. C.; Janice *Wilmet* Menke '24, Richmond, Va.; Katherine *Wormeldorf* '13, Lexington, Va.; Georgia Davis '29, Savannah, Ga.; Mary *Pritchett* Carter '13, Richmond, Va.; Edith *Graham* Breckenridge '07, Summerville, W. Va.; Cleo *Steiner* '06, New York City; Elizabeth *Camp* Ebbott '13, New York City; Nan *Smith* Belden '17, Wheeling, W. Va.

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The Purpose of the Mary Baldwin News Letter is to inform all Mary Baldwin girls of what the College, the Alumnae Association, and its members are doing



MISS NANNIE TATE
First Graduate of Mary Baldwin Seminary

FOREWORD

A
100th
anniversary
comes but once.

For that reason during
the year 1929-30 we have
tried to recall, through your alumnae
bulletins, the women to whom we owe this
heritage. The November News Letter was dedicated
to Miss Baldwin. This issue will bring back to you
the memory of those splendid teachers who work-
ed with her. But because an institution that
lives only in the past is not an instrument
of service to succeeding generations,
we are also bringing you news
of the girls who are build-
ing the present history
of Mary Baldwin
and carrying
on her
ideal.



MISS MARTHA D. RIDDLE



MISS VIRGINIA MARGARET STRICKLER

SOME BUILDERS OF MARY BALDWIN

From Mary Baldwin College, a Historical Sketch

By NANCY W. MCFARLAND, '96

Institutions of learning differ not so essentially in their buildings or endowments, in their physical equipment or courses of study, as in the men and women who have shaped their character and determined their spirit, who have moulded their inner life. They are rich and great only as great personalities have lived within their walls and have influenced and guided the young lives that have touched their own.

In the historic little city of Staunton, guarded by the noble mountains that flank the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia, stands Mary Baldwin College, an institution around which for well-nigh a century have gathered some of the richest social and cultural traditions of Virginia and the old South, and whose history from its foundation has been linked with the high intellectual and spiritual ideals of the Southern Presbyterian Church.

As Augusta Female Seminary it was established in 1842 by a consecrated Presbyterian minister, Rev. Rufus Bailey, who to quote the tribute of a biographer, was "a man of superior ability, who could not have resided anywhere without being felt as a power in the community." Supported by a group of Presbyterian ministers and laymen, he opened the Seminary with the avowed purpose "to afford the means of a thorough literary and religious education to the female youth of this part of the country." In 1843 the first permanent building was erected on a lot belonging to the Presbyterian church, with a guarantee from the church trustees that the seminary should have possession in perpetuity of the said building, provided always that the institution be directed by a board of which three-fourths should be ministers or members of the Old School Presbyterian Church. In 1849, after seven years of valued service, Mr. Bailey resigned his connection with the seminary. His portrait hangs today in the parlor of Mary Baldwin College.

Fourteen chequered years followed his administration. Rev. William G. Campbell, Rev. W. B. Browne, Mr. W. H. Marquiss, Mr. J. B. Tinsley in turn assumed control of the



MISS AGNES MCCLUNG



MISS ELLA CLAIRE WEIMAR

school, with varying degrees of success. In 1863 Miss Mary Julia Baldwin was elected principal, with Miss Agnes McClung as her assistant. Grim-visaged war then stalked through the beautiful valley; its encircling hills echoed to the tramp of marching armies; want and danger often threatened the very existence of the school. But with a courage which was a heritage from Revolutionary forbears and unswerving faith in an Almighty God, they braved the dangers and met the difficulties of those tragic years. In 1880 Miss McClung died, and Miss Baldwin became the sole head of the school. It was given her to see it grow greatly in prestige and in power, and in 1895, by an act of the Virginia Legislature, it was named in her honor, Mary Baldwin Seminary.

Miss Baldwin was a pioneer in the field of woman's education. Courage, broad vision, deep spirituality, passion for service—these were the dominant elements in her character, combined with a warm, sympathetic faith in young womanhood and its ideals, and an eager yearning to provide for the girls of her day academic opportunities as high as those which colleges were offering to their brothers. On her death in 1897 her will gave expression to her aspirations for the school and to her confidence in the Church which she had loved and served.

Early in Miss Baldwin's administration she brought into the school as her business manager, Mr. W. W. King, and from that day until now his name has been enshrined in the hearts of Mary Baldwin girls. Not only by his able administration of the finances of the institution, but by his devoted adherence to its finest traditions and his happy comradeship with its students, he has built himself into its life and has become inseparably associated with its expanding development.

Miss Ella Claire Weimar, who since 1889 had been assistant principal, in 1897 succeeded Miss Baldwin as principal of the seminary. In this office she gave to the school nineteen years of loyal and selfless service, made distinct and far-reaching contributions to its academic growth, and left the abiding impress of her sincere and earnest nature on many young lives entrusted to her care. During Miss Weimar's régime there was a period of great physical expansion at Mary Baldwin, and the institution was officially accredited as a junior college. In the re-organization and correlation of its curriculum to comply with the standards of the State Board she was ably assisted by her faculty.

REFLECTIONS OF OUR OLDEST LIVING ALUMNA

Elizabeth (Stephens) Carmack, of Handley, Texas, 98 Years Old, Writes Some Reflections of Her School Days at A. F. S. in 1845

It is a far cry from March, 1930, to September, 1845, which was the date of my entrance into the Augusta Female Seminary, conducted by the Rev. R. W. Bailey—blessings on that red head of his, which housed such an efficient brain, and such a genial interest in the progress of humanity.

I was very young and thoughtless (just half way into my fourteenth year) but he knew just how to deal with my perversities, and we were always the best of friends. History and the natural sciences were to my taste, but I shied at mathematics. We had some "scraps" about it, for he wanted to make a mathematician of me, yet he often condoned my delinquences. And I think he "kinder" liked a streak of poetry that constituted an item, in the makeup of my crude intellect. One day he found on the floor near my desk, a squib I had written in derision of General Cass (the Democratic candidate for President) then running against Gen. Zack Taylor, the Whig candidate. All that I knew of General Cass was that he was a Democrat, and that was enough—I was a fire eating Whig! And you must know that Democrats were in very bad standing with the Whig party in those days (who usually termed them the "unwashed democracy"). Clay and Webster were the great Whig leaders and fought valiantly against the disruption of our union. Well, Mr. Bailey published my verses in the *Staunton Spectator*. That was the first time I ever saw myself in print.

On one or two occasions Mrs. Bailey, who taught music and French, wanted some more sentimental words to a popular negro melody to be sung at one of her concerts; and another time she wished for some additional words for a tune of her own composing, I think. He took me to a class room, and presenting me with pen, paper and ink, promised if I would write the songs, I should be released from mathematics that day. Of course I willingly acquiesced. He was without assistance when I entered school. His oldest daughter had taken the position of governess in a private family which seemed more attractive than teaching in a large school. I am not sure though that my memory is entirely reliable on this point.

His youngest daughter married Mr. John L. Campbell, of Lexington, who had just been made a professor at Washington College. He and his wife stayed on and taught for about two months, when he had to leave to take charge of his duties in Lexington. We had become much attached to them for they were a lovable couple, and we were loath indeed to see them go. Dr. Ben Smith, then pastor of the Staunton Presbyterian Church, taught classes some times, and Mr. Imboden, a young lawyer (afterwards a well-known commander of artillery in the Confederate army) taught until the teachers came—Miss Lizzie Bailey and Miss Cornelia Stockbridge, Mr. Bailey's niece and cousin, both from Maine. Miss Bailey, homely but kind and genial; Miss Stockbridge, handsome and stately, commanding respect as well as admiration—both were most efficient and popular teachers. We had little plays, and sometimes Miss Lizzie was theatrical manager and I usually cast for "leading lady" in comedy. Though I loved to take off queer illiterate characters when with my intimates, I was always seized with stage fright at the idea of activity before a large audience. So Miss Lizzie and I had sundry little altercations at rehearsals—scoldings, coaxing and laughter on her part, protest and ludicrous excuses on mine. I always came to terms in the end. Miss Stockbridge taught algebra and was a trifle stern, but I found outside aid. That dear gentleman of the old school, Mr. Addison Waddell, to whom I went with my troubles, never refused his help, so I managed to pass. I was not quite so bad as Leigh Hunt, the English poet, who confessed that he never could learn the multiplication table. I could and still know it, and only stagger a little over the seventh and ninth columns.

I was in Mrs. Bailey's class of beginners in French and on our recitation days, Miss Mary Julia Baldwin, who had graduated a year or two before, came with a companion or two to read Racine, or some other French dramatist, under Mrs. Bailey's supervision. We

became well acquainted and were friends always. But no one suspected what a blessing she was to be, to her church, her state, and her sex. How she extended far and wide the beneficent influences set to work by Mr. Bailey! He had two "hobbies," Morse telegraph and the "Big hole through the Blue Ridge" as he termed the tunnel. Staunton had no railroad then, and the telegraph was a myth to most people, and was a subject of derision to many. But Mr. Bailey's faith never swerved and when Congress, reluctantly appropriated money enough to set up a telegraph between Washington and Baltimore, and the message was sent and received, his triumph was great. He soon had a Boston lecturer on natural philosophy to set up a telegraph in the auditorium, and several large audiences came to learn the mysterious workings of the "tamed lightning." Staunton wanted a railroad more than anything. Oysters by stage coach ceased to be fresh long before they reached their goal, so we had to eat them pickled. Oranges were costly and scarce; and things in general were high. The long talked of tunnel was begun at last and crews from both sides of the mountain began to dig and blast. "Wiseacres" said they would pass each other and never meet! But (strange to tell) they did meet and had a tunnel that trains have been passing through ever since.

Mr. Bailey left Staunton before this happy ending took place, to begin pioneering education work in Texas, where he was professor for some years in Daniel Baker College. The railroad was finished and on his return visit to Staunton, he rode on the train. Soon after he came back I met him for the last time. While in Texas he had written a grammar and asked me, jocularly, to write the poetry to be parsed in it. I often find myself wondering, if it were possible for him to return from that other world, just what he'd have to say about this present day of autos, airplanes, and, strangest of all, radio.

[TO BE CONTINUED]

OUR OLD GIRLS WRITE OF COMMENCEMENT

Roselle (Mercier) Montgomery, '91; Sarah (Caldwell) Butler, '12

Dear Alumnae:

Today I say with Horace, "Poscimus"—which, being interpreted, means that we are called upon my pen and I, to give briefly, our impressions of the recent commencement and Alumnae reunion. Since it is our highly valued young assistant secretary, who does the calling, I feel that I must at least attempt to put into words what I so keenly felt during my few happy hours of return to my Alma Mater. It is hard for me, however. In the first place my pen and I, after the long divorce caused by my late illness, have not yet got back on terms of familiarity. In the second place, my so recent recovery from a serious operation made me feel everything with a keenness which I find incommunicable.

I was still an official invalid when a letter from Sue Stribling Snodgrass, my school roommate and dear friend, and a telegram from Margaret Kable Russell, our splendid Alumnae president, urging me to come down to commencement, got me out of bed. I did not take up my bed and walk in the scriptural fashion, but I found myself galvanized into acceptance of the challenge—and before I realized what I was doing, I was on the way to Virginia.

I went by way of Sue's home in Martinsburg, West Virginia, whence we motored over to Winchester where Mrs. Russell met us in her car and drove us down the Valley, the well-remembered, dearly loved Shenandoah Valley. Any one who has ever been inside of Mrs. Russell's lovely hilltop home knows that only to enter it is a real delight—and to be there with Sue was like being transported back to my school girl days, and—heavenly!

And then, almost before we awoke the next morning, the "girls" began to arrive for the Alumnae breakfast given in Mrs. Russell's house by the Staunton Chapter, the wheel horse of the Alumnae Association. It was a regular hub-bub of happiness, that breakfast, with far too enticing food served buffet fashion, and all intermingled with greetings, ejaculations, laughter and reminiscences of old girls, faculty, and the graduating class of 1930. It is always a stirring experience—to meet friends, many of whom one has not seen since girlhood days—to be called by one's familiar girlhood name by women who seem strange until one finds the girls one knew looking out of eyes that one remembers!

And the old familiar jokes—maybe they were the best fun of all, in our coming together. Everybody knew one on me, and everybody told it. It is impossible to live down one's past! One discovers that at an Alumnae breakfast! I could not begin to name over all the old girls who crowded around to greet Sue and me. Nor could I tell you how poignantly we all felt the absence of those who were not there, nor how affectionately we spoke of those "young companions of the golden days" with whom we had "walked the terrace there above the street," separated from us now by time, by distance, and some, alas, by death. It was all very wonderful, especially to one who had been so recently near the portal. Even the business meeting which followed the breakfast, was enjoyable, filled as it was with incidents that awakened memories of every kind.

But if, in the morning, at the breakfast, we looked backward with so much delight, when we met in the evening for the Alumnae banquet, we began to look forward with equal eagerness. For we found ourselves facing away from Mary Baldwin Seminary that was, to Mary Baldwin College that is, and will continue to be.

It was a brilliant scene, the banquet, with the college dining room decorated in the familiar Mary Baldwin colors, white and yellow, carried out in flowers; with hundreds of lovely evening gowns, and here and there a masculine Tuxedo. One of the Tuxedos, occupied by our beloved Mr. King, was auspiciously placed between Sue and me—and that, alone, would have made the evening a success for both of us. For we, like all the girls who have come after us, have a special place in our hearts for Mr. King and he makes us feel that we have a special place in his—it is safe to say that no girl ever attended Seminary or College who did not feel herself a favorite of Mr. King. Thanks to him, to whom both Seminary and College owe so many good things, the food was delicious. Mrs. Russell was

gracious and charming as always; Mary Turk, our secretary, carried out her part in the program in her characteristically able fashion; and the speakers, especially our guest of honor, Dr. Howard Rondthaler, president of Salem College, were all clever and interesting—except one. I need not say who that one was, but she was one who came on the spur of the moment and was called on unexpectedly, and she is one who, I happen to know, requires a month or so of preparation for an impromptu speech. But Sue covered herself with glory, in which her ex-roommate basked, as usual.

Altogether, it was a lovely party, a heart-warming occasion which I should not have missed for worlds. We missed the handsome face and distinguished bearing of Dean Higgins, of course, but we were very happy to meet for the first time, Mr. Jarman, on whom so heavy a load of responsibility rests, and to know his attractive wife. His personality made a very pleasant impression upon us, and we felt, after we met him and heard him talk, that the future of Mary Baldwin College was in safe, capable and reverent hands—hands which it is the duty of every Alumna to uphold.

I cannot close without a word about the graduates and undergraduates of today, whom we had seen earlier in the day perform so capably and picturesquely in their May Day exercises, and who were like flowers in their pretty frocks at the banquet. It gave me a very definite thrill to see these young sweet, serious-eyed college women in the places and the rôles that had been ours as Seminary girls, carrying on the traditions and ideals of womanhood which the example and influence of Mary Julia Baldwin stamped on the institution which she founded so many years ago, and which, whether Seminary or College, will always retain her indelible image.

To sum up, the whole experience made me proud and happy to be numbered among the alumnae of Mary Baldwin Seminary, with the right and the privilege of returning to share in the commencement exercises of Mary Baldwin College in whose future welfare every alumna has the deepest interest, the highest hope, and the greatest of great expectations.

Goodbye, I hope to meet you all at next year's commencement!

ROSELLE Mercier MONTGOMERY, 91.

Dear Alumnae:

Home again and wide-awake—after such a pleasant dream. I know it must have really happened and yet it seemed like a dream from the moment Miss Williamson greeted Margaret and me on back gallery, until Mr. King kissed us good-by two days later. During that brief time I shed the years and was young once more. I had all the thrills of twenty (oh horrors) years ago and felt just as though I were “in for another term.”

As I think back over my return to Mary Baldwin I am so glad that Miss McFarland and Miss Williamson were the first to welcome us, for we felt at home at once. Supper was over but they led us to the deserted dining room, set us at Miss Weimar's table (and wonder of wonders) gave us the once so familiar Sunday night supper. And I would not have missed the Vesper Service for anything. Once more I sat on McClung steps and watched the sunshine fade and the shadows deepen. It was good to hear the new President speak of Loyalty with a Capital “L” and I must confess that as I watched the seniors marching through the lighted upper gallery so sweetly serious in their caps and gowns, I was glad the darkness could hide the tears in my eyes. When I heard the girls laughing and talking with the burst of noise that always followed our serious moments at school, I marveled at the elasticity of the Spirit of Youth, but back in the room I found we were able to laugh and feel young ourselves. Wasn't it fun to go up in “Sky High” and pick any room we wanted—how much like the first days of the term it seemed. Don't you know I could not help feeling guilty when we sat up late, and the next morning that early bell all but made me jump out of bed.

I don't know whose idea it was to have an alumnae breakfast at Mrs. Russell's lovely home, but it certainly was delightful for us. It was ideal to meet your old friends and chat with them while you ate a delicious breakfast before settling down to the interesting business meeting.

What a lot the Association has done this year and how good it is to hear about old friends. It was inspiring to feel what a big company of women we are and to realize the potential power of our organization. Surely there are big accomplishments in the near future. I do wish more of them could have been with us to see the wonderful May Day with its charm and finish. Perhaps the Mother Goose made an especial appeal to me, for I have so recently renewed my knowledge of its many characters. The girls showed ability and splendid training—a far cry from the May Day when Agnes Wood and I led a drill around the same campus in 1912! I prefer having a seat on Hill Top steps. There *are* compensations in being an alumna. The Banquet was a fitting climax to the day. I enjoyed the speakers and would have gone many miles to hear Mrs. Montgomery read “Across the Years” and “When Spring comes up the Shenandoah.”

Before I left on Tuesday I had a glimpse of the sweet girl graduates receiving—not certificates, nor diplomas, but degrees! Isn't it wonderful? Our Seminary has become a college, for the woman of today realizes that “French, fancy needlework, and dancing” leave her incapable of meeting life with its many situations and complications. It all seemed so eminently right that I could not find it in my heart to regret the passing of M. B. S. but felt only pride in M. B. C.

But the hour had struck and like Cinderella I had to run. The vision of those dear girls receiving their degrees from President Jarman in our very same old chapel was still in my mind when I drove into my own gate one hundred miles away. My two small sons ran to meet me and related between hugs the sad fate of the kitten who it seems accidentally drowned in the fish pond just as she had almost learned to swim!

And so back to realities. I do thank you for inspiring me with the desire to go back to Mary Baldwin for commencement and for the wonderful time I had there.

SARAH Caldwell BUTLER, '12.

ALUMNÆ DAY, MAY 26, 1930

BUSINESS MEETING

The Mary Baldwin Alumnæ Association held its annual meeting on Monday at the home of Mrs. Thomas H. Russell. A delicious breakfast was served at ten o'clock, followed by an interesting business meeting.

Mrs. Russell presided, assisted by the alumnæ secretary, Miss Mary Turk. Reports of the year's work were read by the president and the secretary, and representatives from many local chapters were present to give an account of their activities during the past twelve months.

More than one hundred members, representing many different states, were present, and it was declared the most enthusiastic meeting that has been held for many years. A detailed account is given in the following minutes:

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MARY BALDWIN ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION, MAY 26, 1930

The 1930 Business Meeting of the Mary Baldwin Alumnæ Association held on the morning of May 26, at the home of the President, Margaret *Kable* Russell, was a most delightful affair, with most of the local chapter and many visiting alumnæ present.

After a delicious breakfast, served by Emily *Pancake* Smith and her committee, the meeting was called to order by the President and opened with a prayer by Sue *Stribling* Snodgrass.

Since the minutes of the last meeting had been published in full in the July NEWS LETTER, the motion, made by Annabel *Timberlake* Hogshead, and seconded by Lizzie *Hogshead* Loth, that they be dispensed with, was carried.

Margaret Kent Bell read a very gracious note from Miss Higgins sending cordial greetings, and expressions of regret at her inability to be present. Mary Turk also read many interesting letters and telegrams of greeting from old girls in various parts of the country.

The Treasurer, Fannie B. Strauss, read the following report of funds received and disbursed during the year.

TREASURER'S REPORT—Condensed

Receipts	
Balance on hand May 27, 1929.....	\$445.53
Interest from bonds.....	72.36
Rec'd from College Board.....	900.00
Rec'd from dues.....	732.57
Rec'd from Chapters.....	775.00
Total receipts	\$2,925.46
Expenses	
Secretarial salaries	890.00
Travelling expenses	200.23
Birthday Cards	88.00
Miscellaneous (News Letters, office supplies, Alumnæ Scholarship Oct. 4th, etc.)	694.17
Total expenses	\$1,872.40
Balance (Checking Acct.)	\$1,053.06
Bonds	\$1,350.00

Irene Haislip, gave a report that the Auditing Committee had inspected the Treasurer's books and found them correct. The Treasurer's report was accepted and placed on file.

The Missionary Scholarship report, very comprehensive and inspirational, was read by Nancy McFarland.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Ruth See, who will receive her B. A. degree in May, 1931, has been awarded the Missionary Scholarship for the coming session. She has made a very splendid record as a student during the three years she has already spent at Mary Baldwin, and has made many fine contributions to the general life of the college.

Ruth is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Gamble See, home missionaries at Floyd, Va., she is the niece of Ruth See, '91, of our missionary field in Brazil, and a granddaughter of Mary Gamble See, '67, of Ft. Defiance, Va.

NANCY W. MCFARLAND, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF MISSIONARY SCHOLARSHIP FUND—Condensed

May 27, 1929—Balance in Bank.....	\$312.74
Total receipts, '29-30	789.04
Total disbursements, '29-30	599.91

Balance 189.13

Thirteen bonds in safety deposit box, National Valley Bank, amount to\$2,500.00

Respectfully submitted,

KATE NELSON STOUT, *Treasurer.*

Margaret McChesney, Chairman of Alumnae Scholarship, was absent, and her report was read by Abbie McFarland.

ALUMNÆ SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

The Alumnae Scholarship has been again awarded to Katherine Bell Jones, of Clarksburg, W. Va.

Miss Jones, both as a student of outstanding ability and as a girl of the highest ideals and character, has made a record of which the Association may well be proud.

It was moved that these reports be accepted.

Dorothy Hisey Bridges reported that 1300 Birthday Cards had been sent out during the year. A very delightful report was given by Nancy McFarland (Chairman) of books requested for the library—2983 having already been received. Sue Stribling Snodgrass gave some interesting bits of information concerning some books sent in by the Lower Valley Chapter the day before. By request, Roselle Mercier Montgomery told of her plan to ask authors and members of the Poetry Society to autograph their books which she will present to the library.

Following the call for reports from chapters, Mary Turk asked for a motion that reports of chapters, sent by mail be published in the NEWS LETTER instead of read at the meeting. It was moved by Margaret Kent Bell and seconded by Jennie McCue Marshall that this be done.

The Lower Valley report was given by Keightley Timberlake Wilson, and an oral report from the Roanoke Chapter was given by Sarah Caldwell Butler. A fine report from the Richmond Chapter was read by May Taylor Homeier. Bessie Osborn Scudder, Chairman of the New York Chapter, gave a brief report and Roselle Mercier Montgomery, a member of the chapter, gave an account of the Benefit held in March. Among other things she said that Mr. Craig, husband of Margaret Cunningham Craig, had doubled the amount raised by the Benefit. It was moved and seconded that the Secretary write Mr. Craig a letter of appreciation for his very generous help.

Emily Pancake Smith took the chair while the President, Margaret Kable Russell, read her report which was received with much enthusiasm and adopted with a rising vote of thanks.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

My report of activities for the past year will necessarily be brief since it embraces only the period between June and January, all active work of the Association having been taken over at that time by our new secretary, Mary Turk.

The routine of the summer was carried on much as usual—The July NEWS LETTER featuring a request for information about 375 alumnae whose mail had been returned during

the year from the addresses we had, and who were necessarily placed on our lost list. The value of our work rests in keeping up direct contact with *all* alumnae, and it is important that you notify us of your change of address and that of your friends. The November NEWS LETTER which conveyed the Anniversary idea on its cover, showing the seal of the school with the name—Mary Julia Baldwin, was effective in arousing interest in the 100th anniversary of Miss Baldwin's birth. We tried to send to those of you who could not be present a vivid account of the real celebration of this event on October 4th. I will not go into the details here except to say that the alumnae were requested by the College Board of Trustees to arrange for a reception in honor of the installation of the new President, Mr. L. Wilson Jarman. Invitations were sent to about 750 people and there were between 300 and 350 present. The Stonewall Jackson Golf Club furnished a beautiful setting for both the brilliant reception and buffet supper, and gave opportunity to present most attractively, a series of historical tableaux. These were put on by students of the College under the direction of Miss Harwood, Head of the Expression Department, and Miss Powell, Head of Physical Training. One of our talented alumnae, Katherine See, was responsible for the conception of the pageant.

It is interesting to note that the college students are celebrating the anniversary event in their college publications, particularly the *Bluestocking*.

Throughout the year all birthdays have been remembered wherever it has been possible to secure the accurate dates. Let me urge you to give us yours, in case you have not been receiving a Birthday Card. We are very deeply indebted to Dorothy Hisey Bridges for maintaining this department for us. She has done this voluntarily and most efficiently for over three years.

Although this report includes only the activities of a brief six months, I feel that at the close of four years there are some essential points in regard to our own association which I should like to bring before you.

There are two basic principles in alumnae work—loyalty and unselfish service. Without these we might as well abandon the whole project. An Alumnae Association is not formed for the benefits which may accrue to the individual, but is organized that its benefits may be entirely *objective* with the college as the *recipient*. Let us bear this in mind as we attempt a general survey of our own status as alumnae. We must remember that *intelligent interest* comes only from *accurate information* about the college, its administration, its curriculum, its activities and above all its aims and ideals. First our field may be as wide as it is geographically, although the possibilities for alumnae work increase in inverse ratio. In other words our scope offers both handicap and advantage. The wide area makes it far more difficult to form alumnae contacts, but on the other hand it presents a broad field for student material and alumnae influence along that line.

Second, the possibility of personal contact is slight except through correspondence, literature, birthday cards and such agencies, and in spite of this, individual leadership in alumnae work must be developed. Limited only by our financial status, and I might add, by our ingenuity, every means to build up alumnae interest has been used, such as the insistence to have you return to your Alma Mater on special days, notably at commencement and October fourth. This has a double value,—the personal pleasure which you derive from seeing old friends and the opportunity it presents to acquaint yourselves in detail with the college as it is today. We hope the consequent interest aroused by such visits may result definitely in the realization of your privilege and responsibility toward the future of Mary Baldwin. It is an accepted fact that a college is what the alumnae make it.

A practical illustration of this point was made last year by the chairman of the Lexington group when she invited the graduates of the high school to the spring meeting of that chapter.

While far the greater number of our alumnae are too scattered to be reached except by the means described above, there are many geographical areas which contain large groups of alumnae who should be definitely organized into alumnae chapters and doing enthusiastic, active alumnae work. Of these, fourteen have been definitely organized. The standard for these chapters should be determined by their value to the object for which they are banded

together, for in no other way can their interest be gauged. It is for this reason that an annual membership fee of one dollar is required by the National organization from all its members. This is your expression of co-operation with the association and is not paid for any benefit which you may derive from it, but because you desire to maintain your contact with an organization which is primarily dedicated to the service of your Alma Mater.

Two purposes are accomplished—not only does it help in the support of necessary expenses, but is our only barometer of your interest. It is for this reason that a name is automatically dropped from the membership list after two years, since membership slips are included in practically all *alumnæ* literature, as a reminder that yours may have lapsed. In addition to the means described it is essential that contact and service of *alumnæ* as an integral part of college life be maintained. This education of the girls while college students is more than important. Throughout the four years each student should have the double vision of herself as the college girl of today and the alumna of tomorrow. Incidentally may I welcome to our ranks the class of 1930?

Ostensibly this survey leads us to one conclusion—that it is necessary to maintain an active *alumnæ* office, with an *alumnæ* secretary in charge, whose duty it should be to develop all our resources and serve as a source of inspiration and information to both chapters and individual *alumnæ*.

We felt four years ago if such an object could be attained that our fortunes would be made. With the kind assistance of the College Board and the loyal support of many of our chapters toward our budget, we have maintained since January an *Alumnæ* Secretary, as well as providing for her secretarial assistance. Mary Turk whom so many of you knew and loved in the old days is with us once more with her vivid personality and constructive ideas. She should be a tremendous impetus to *alumnæ* work. Her success in the future depends largely on you. The Budget as published in last year's April NEWS LETTER must be tentatively the same for 1930. May we ask your loyal co-operation? Will you not make yourself familiar with your chapter obligations and do your part?

It is not only an inspiration for the future but an indication of the wide-spread and growing interest among *alumnæ* for the college and its standards that they rallied with such tremendous co-operation in response to our recent request for books. It was necessary to secure 3,000 additional volumes for the Library to bring the number up to the requisite 12,000. Nearly all of them were secured in about six weeks time.

Four years of close association with *alumnæ* have brought the realization that most of our number are glad of the opportunity to serve Mary Baldwin. It has been a real privilege to have had the honor of working with you. I am very grateful for the hearty co-operation and generous thought which you have always given.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET KABLE RUSSELL.

Mary Turk, *Alumnæ* Secretary, was next introduced, and made her report.

ALUMNÆ SECRETARY'S REPORT

During the past year this office has been busy with several special projects in addition to the regular routine work.

The routine work of an *alumnæ* office as young as ours is continuous and everlasting because of its almost unlimited possibilities. The general correspondence by means of which we keep in touch with our members and with our organized chapters and promote the organization of new chapters is a fascinating part of the work, for all our business has a personal interest. Pearl McColl McLeod has started the organization of a chapter in Canada, and Elizabeth Hodge Risser is making splendid progress among *alumnæ* in the state of Ohio.

Our publications this year as you have seen have varied somewhat from the usual issues. In May we published a new form *Alumnæ News*. We hope that this can be tried out next year, running the small sheet possibly five times during the year with a July NEWS LETTER as a summary of the year's activities of the Association.

Our card index files we have always with us. They read like a story with an ever changing plot for on them are recorded the comings and goings of our 3,800 *alumnæ*. These cards are the basis of all our activity.

One of the special projects that this office has had in hand for a long time is the publication of a Directory. The process of correcting, cross-filing and reassembling information that it may be of real value to our alumnae has been a task which has taken many hours of tedious work.

The need of 3,000 more books for the College Library gave us an opportunity to express our loyalty to our Alma Mater. The 3,800 letters which this office sent out to alumnae received the most splendid response. (See Library report.)

Another project which we feel has been well worth while is the study of the organization and work of the alumnae associations of other colleges most comparable to ours. This study was greatly helped by visits to the alumnae offices of these colleges.

During the month of May, all spare time was filled with preparations for Alumnae Day. Six hundred letters were sent out to the girls of 1903-04-05-06 and 1912-13-14-15. We trust that it will not be many years before invitations by personal letters followed up by more and more organization in the various classes, with the routine of the Dix system, will result in large and enthusiastic reunions at every commencement. The breakfast and banquet were made possible by the ever willing members of the Staunton Chapter.

This office was able during the spring months to do an amazing amount of field work. Our program was published in the May *Alumnae News*. This phase of the work has, we believe, a two-fold value. We are able to carry information concerning the work done at headquarters and also news of the College to our alumnae, as well as becoming acquainted with their chapter leaders and members. We found everywhere an increasing interest in our Association and in our College.

Every chapter meeting seemed most worth while and each one has some specially interesting feature.

The Lexington Chapter had invited a group of High School girls to come and hear about our alumnae and the College. Three of the students went to Lexington and made very interesting talks on various phases of College life.

The New York Chapter out-did itself in attendance at the Benefit. Seventy-five alumnae came and brought one hundred and twenty-five friends from Westchester, Conn., Long Island, and New Jersey. This, we know, was the result of much interest and organization on the part of the officers of the chapter.

The visit to Philadelphia and vicinity was most interesting, and the time was spent making personal visits and telephone calls. No meeting was held there this spring.

Lynchburg, Lower Valley, Roanoke, and Richmond had enthusiastic chapter meetings. Richmond has arranged, as a part of their new work for the year, for a Scholarship to Mary Baldwin to be given through them to a John Marshall senior. The college is willing and eager to co-operate with any of the chapters in this project.

In Charlotte much interest seemed to be renewed among our alumnae. The group is representative of Charlotte's young matrons and debutantes.

The tremendous success of the Atlanta meeting was, we feel sure, due to the splendid leadership in the chapter and to the real interest among the members. In addition to a large number of alumnae from Atlanta and vicinity the presidents of nearby schools and colleges were present.

The Birmingham Chapter which has been inactive for several years took a new lease on life and is ready to re-organize. There are many alumnae living in that vicinity and we feel that it will be one of our strongest chapters.

I deeply regret that I will be unable to return in September and take up the work again. But always because of my love for my Alma Mater and of my confidence in the administration of the College I shall be eager to do all in my power as an alumna to strengthen the Alumnae Association and to forward the plans and increase the prestige of Mary Baldwin College.

Faithfully yours,

MARY H. TURK.

In closing she suggested among other things, the practicability of a \$2.00 membership

dues, and the payment of them direct to Headquarters, stating this as the custom of other alumnae associations. Upon completion of Mary Turk's report, Constance *Curry* Carter, Chairman of the Staunton Chapter, expressed appreciation of Mary Turk's splendid service to the Association.

Margarett *Kable* Russell said it was her pleasure to report from a conference with President Jarman the following statement: "That for the session 1930-31 the College will give Scholarship Aid in the sum of \$100.00 to one student (not already registered in the college) who may be recommended for the Scholarship by any organized chapter of the Mary Baldwin Alumnae Association."

The report of the Nominating Committee was given by Annabel *Timberlake* Hogshead, Chairman. This report was accepted as a whole and the Secretary instructed to cast the ballot. A motion was made and seconded that in the event that Margarett *Kable* Russell should be unable to serve through the year, as president, the matter of appointing a successor be left to the Executive Board.

Nancy McFarland brought a message from the 1930 Student Body in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of Miss Baldwin's birth and presented a *Bluestocking* for 1930 to the Alumnae Association.

Before adjournment the following suggestions were made and committees appointed. All members were urged to pay their dues to Fannie Strauss. A committee was appointed to send a basket of flowers to Miss Higgins and to place flowers on Miss Baldwin's grave.

In May, a small three-page NEWS LETTER was issued with the plan of sending out such bulletins four or five times a year, with one large NEWS LETTER during the summer. A vote was taken on this idea as compared with the regular issue of the NEWS LETTER three times a year, and the smaller and more frequent issue received a majority. In response to questions asked by Sue *Stribling* Snodgrass about quotas for the National Budget, Margarett *Kable* Russell explained how it worked. A motion was made by Roselle *Mercier* Montgomery that the Association send a message of love and greeting to Mr. King, and to Miss Nannie Tate, our first graduate of Mary Baldwin Seminary.

Constance *Curry* Carter moved that a message of greeting be sent to Lytie *Parkins* Crawford on the occasion of her 53rd anniversary of graduation from Mary Baldwin. It was moved to send greetings to Dr. Fraser and to the oldest living alumna, Elizabeth *Stephens* Carmack, of Handley, Texas, 98 years old.

A motion to adjourn was made and carried.

I wish in closing, to express our appreciation and thanks to Margarett *Kable* Russell, Emily *Pancake* Smith and committee, for making this meeting not only inspirational, but an occasion long to be remembered.

Respectfully submitted,
MAGGIE BELL *Roller* ROBINSON, *Secretary*.

MAY DAY

May Day at Mary Baldwin is looked forward to each year not only by the students and the community, but by the parents of students and the alumnae association which reaches out to every state in the Union. Alumnae Chapters send representatives each year and for this occasion Hill Top steps were reserved for alumnae exclusively. Monday afternoon the campus was thronged with patrons, alumnae, and friends.

This year the scene was "May Day in Mother Goose Land" directed by Mary Collins Powell, Physical Education Dept. and Lola G. Harwood, Spoken English.

The following characters were enacted by the college students. Mistress Mary's Flowers; The Little Girl; Sandman; Elves; Mother Goose; King Cole, his Trainbearers, Pipe bearer, Bowl bearer, Fiddlers, Court; Jack and Jill; Mistress Mary; Simple Simon and the Pieman; See Saw Margery Daw; Little Miss Muffett; Jack Spratt and His Wife; Crooked Man; Peter, Peter Pumpkin Eater and his Wife; Humpty Dumpty; Old Woman in the Shoe, Children; Bo Peep; Little Boy Blue; Jack be Nimble; Little Jack Horner; Blackbirds, Maid; Heralds; The Court;

Maids of Honor—Evelyn Baker, Elizabeth Smith.

Crown Bearer—Elizabeth Wilson.

Queen—Wilhelmina Eskridge.

The costumes and settings were both colorful and elaborate and the students presented a finished performance to an appreciative audience.

ALUMNÆ BANQUET

Balloons—red, green yellow, white—great clusters of them—hanging from every post and corner of the candle-lit dining room—formed the decorations for the 1930 banquet, Monday evening in the college dining room. The theme was "Dreams" and these bright bubbles, tugging lightly at their strings, seemed the "stuff of dreams." The speaker for the evening remarked facetiously that air filled balloons should make any speaker feel at ease; but to loyal alumnae these flimsy bubbles had a real significance, for the evening's program proved conclusively that the dreams of the past have been powerful in shaping Mary Baldwin history.

As the coffee concluded an excellent menu, a feature of which had been the presentation of a birthday cake to Sarah *Cooper* Sanders, '74, of Georgia, who is 74 years old; all joined in singing the seminary song "White and Yellow."

W. W. King spoke affectionately of his long and happy relationship with Mary Baldwin and her girls. Margaret *Kable* Russell introduced Dr. Howard Rondthaler, president of Salem College, Winston-Salem, N. C., as a representative of a college whose career parallels Mary Baldwin's in many respects. He had a message for alumnae that was both inspirational and practical. Like the noble female figures in marble supporting an Athenian temple, the future of Mary Baldwin College rests, he said, in the last analysis, not on the students, not on the curriculum, not on the endowment, but on the alumnae. Dear as former associations are to the "old girl," her loyalty will lead her to approve and foster change, knowing that change must come with progress.

Mrs. Russell then introduced Mary H. Turk, alumnae secretary, who took charge of the remaining program. The first speaker was Sarah *Cooper* Sanders, '74, of Washington, Ga. Her talk was a tribute to Mary Baldwin pioneers. There followed her in order Sue *Stribling* Snodgrass, '91, of W. Va.; Roselle *Mercier* Montgomery, '91, of N. Y. and Conn.; Bessie *Osborn* Scudder, '06, of New Jersey; Margaret *St. Clair* Moore, '14, of W. Va.; Constance *Curry* Carter, '22, of Va.; and Caroline Wood, '28, of Va. Through their reminiscences was traced the history of Mary Baldwin; her customs, her curriculum, her recognition. Mrs. Montgomery read some of her poems including the familiar "Across the Years." Miss Wood as representative of the college graduates, introduced President L. Wilson Jarman, who spoke briefly in appreciation of the service Baldwin alumnae have rendered and are continuing to render their college.

With each short talk a tableau was presented by the class of '33, depicting the develop-

ment of the "Dream" in the individual as well as the "Dreams" which had a part in the building of the college.

An interpretation of these tableaux, written in blank verse, was read by Miss Josephine Woods, of China. Following this the seniors sang their class song and Catherine Whittet and Margaret Patterson, students, gave a graceful dance tossing between them one of the balloon bubbles. The singing of the Alma Mater song, "Thou wast born of dreams, Mary Baldwin," was a fitting close to the program.

OUT OF TOWN ALUMNÆ PRESENT FOR COMMENCEMENT

Breakfast and Banquet Registration

More than 75 alumne were present at the Breakfast and 150 at the Banquet. Lack of space prevents the publication of any names except those of out of town guests.

- '74 Sarah *Cooper* Sanders, Washington, Ga.
- '88 Lucy Walker, Tazewell, Va.
- '89 May *Taylor* Homeier, Richmond, Va.
- '90 Betty *Walker* Sale, Lexington, Va.
- '90 Jennie *McCue* Marshall, Richmond, Va.
- '91 Roselle *Mercier* Montgomery, Riverside, Conn.
- '91 Sue *Stribling* Snodgrass, Martinsburg, W. Va.
- '91 Keightley *Timberlake* Wilson, Charles Town, W. Va.
- '98 Eva *McCue* Baker, Minneapolis, Minn.
- '00 Nina *Ravenscroft* Smith, Ridgway, Penn.
- '06 Josie Woods, China.
- '06 Rosa Lee *Dulaney* Ott, Harrisonburg, Va.
- '06 Bessie *Osborn* Scudder, Red Bank, N. J.
- '12 Sarah *Caldwell* Butler, Roanoke, Va.
- '14 Laura Davis, Portsmouth, Va.
- '14 Frances *Price* Carroll, Charlottesville, Va.
- '14 Lily Woods, China.
- '15 Louise *McFarland* Varden, Mercersburg, Pa.
- '16 Margaret *St. Clair* Moore, Bluefield, W. Va.
- '19 Jean *Fraser* Hart, Hampden-Sidney, Va.
- '21 Cathryn *Loomis* Wayman, Strasburg, Va.
- '24 Mary *Bowen* Sadler, North Tazewell, Va.
- '26 Missouri *Miller* Zirkle, Christiansburg, Va.
- '26 Virginia Biven, Ardmore, Okla.
- '27 Katherine See, Floyd, Va.
- '28 Elsie Harman, Keyser, W. Va.
- '28 Dorothy McDonald, Madison, W. Va.
- '28 Jeannette Hervey, Chase City, Va.
- '28 Louise Spencer, Richmond, Va.
- '28 Elise Gibson, Ivy, Va.
- '28 Caroline, Wood, Roanoke, Va.
- '29 Anna Catherine McMahon, Baltimore, Md.

MESSAGES FROM THOSE WHO DID NOT COME

"Your alluringly-worded letter of today gave me acute nostalgia. Suddenly the haunts and friends of ancient days were before me—the sunny, idle hours stolen in Memorial—and I remembered a solemn oath Marie Bronson, Lou Fauntleroy and I took in the studio one day. With our hands on the head of Apollo we swore by the River Styx a life long allegiance. I wish I could come back."—LUCY *Bowles* ROBERTSON, '04.

"I still treasure the friendships formed there and have many happy memories of my two years at Baldwin's. I have two lovely daughters, Barbara, sixteen, and Nancy, fourteen, who take up most of my time. We are sailing the middle of July for a summer in Norway and Sweden. Best of luck to you all."—LENA *Kelly* BASTIEN, '06.

"My young daughter gives me a greater interest in Mary Baldwin than ever and I am confidently looking forward to the time when she will become one of the daughters of our Alma Mater."—KATIE *Leftwich* SIMMONS, '07.

"Nothing would give me more pleasure than to see all of the old crowd again, but it is impossible right now to leave home."—ANNA B. *Patterson* VAN LANDINGHAM, '04.

"I shall be thinking of you all during the week-end and wishing for you a successful reunion. With love and best wishes to everybody."—LELIA BAUKNIGHT, '05.

"I regret that I can not be at dear old M. B. S. this week and send a great deal of love."—MINNIE *Borchers* MITTENDORF, '03.

GREETINGS BY WIRE OR LETTER CAME ON ALUMNÆ DAY FROM THESE "OLD GIRLS"

'75 May <i>Walton</i> Kent	'05 Rosa <i>Munger</i> Earle
'81 Annie <i>Walker</i> St. Clair	'05 Olive <i>King</i> Perrett
'91 Lena <i>Lawson</i> Dempsey	'05 Helen <i>Van Cleave</i> Leonard
'97 Fanny <i>Peck</i> Sprinkle	'05 Greta <i>Storm</i> Miller
'02 Evelyn <i>Chase</i> McPherson	'06 Virginia <i>Carrington</i> Williams
'03 Minnie <i>Borchers</i> Mittendorf	'06 Anna Rose <i>Cohen</i> Outland
'03 Rachel Borden	'06 May Hoover
'03 Addie <i>Brubaker</i> McDonnell	'06 Lena <i>Kelly</i> Bastien
'03 Elizabeth <i>Mectze</i> Johnston	'06 Winifred Morris
'03 Lillian <i>Parks</i> Pritchett	'06 Agnes <i>West</i> Burnett
'03 Annie Laurie <i>Worthington</i> Reed	'07 Katie <i>Leftwich</i> Simmons
'04 Lucy <i>Bowles</i> Robertson	'08 Claudia <i>Collier</i> Montague
'04 Virginia <i>Brook</i> Sloss	'08 Lucy <i>Johns</i> Grier
'04 Alma <i>Cecil</i> Cary	'08 Nell <i>McChuer</i> Gilliam
'04 Emmie <i>Jones</i> Phillips	'09 Lillian <i>Harrison</i> Brown
'04 Anna B. <i>Patterson</i> Van Landingham	'14 Emma Clark
'04 Ellen Smith	'15 Mary <i>Preston</i> Thompson
'05 Lelia Bauknight	'16 Grace <i>Lee</i> Randolph
'05 Molly Doyle	'20 Lillian <i>Kraus</i> Katz
	'22 Louise Hodges

CHAPTER REPORTS

ATLANTA

Six meetings were held between October 1st and May 15th. A card party which netted \$60, was given at the Georgian Terrace Hotel in November. The event of the year was the tea given by Passie *McCabe* Ottley at her lovely home on Peachtree Road, honoring our visiting guests President Jarman and Miss Turk. Thirty Mary Baldwin alumnae had the opportunity of meeting our new President and our National Alumnae Secretary, both of whom made a distinctly happy and satisfying impression in conveying to the members their messages and the splendid status of the college. All were aglow with pride at the prospect of a Class A rating. Miss Turk gave a most interesting narrative of her work with the various chapters. Mr. Jarman gave a picture of Mary Baldwin as she is today, arousing real enthusiasm as well as admiration. To numerous questions he gave convincing replies, and the entire group felt highly enlightened by the time our charming hostess announced a social hour. A number of the most prominent educators of the city, including Dr. Jacobs, President Oglethorpe University; Dr. McCain, President Agnes Scott; Dr. Brittan, President Georgia Tech; Dr. Cox, President Emory University; Mr. Woodberry, Head of Woodberry School; Mr. Scott, Head of Washington School; Miss Muse, Head of Girl's High School; and Miss Askew, Principal of North Ave. Presbyterian School, were present to meet the guests of honor. We were also happy to have Anna Harriet *Shewmake* Thayer who recently returned from California for a six weeks visit. This was pronounced the happiest occasion in the history of the Chapter.

Venice *Mayson* Fry returns in the late summer from the Philippines. Many members responded to the appeal for books, and contributions in check were given also. Two new members, Mrs. Lelia *Fox* Elder and Nell Candler, both of Decatur, were most cordially welcomed into the chapter. Sixty dollars was paid on the National Association Budget and \$34 to the Missionary Scholarship.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH *Hanger* CHALENOR, *Chairman*.

CHARLOTTE

No Report

CUMBERLAND

No Report

HARRISONBURG

Owing to the continued illness of our Chairman, Frances *Overlock* Earman as well as sickness among some of our other members, there are no activities to report at this time.

We regret the resignation of our Sub-Chairman of Valley Towns, Marjorie Trotter, of Woodstock, Va. Miss Trotter is teaching in Pennsylvania, and because of her absence from Woodstock, cannot keep in close touch with the members of our chapter. Always interested in our work, we still claim Miss Trotter as one of the chapter's most loyal members.

Helen Morrison, of Woodstock, a recent graduate of Mary Baldwin, has been enrolled, not only as a new member of this chapter, but as a new Sub-Chairman for Valley Towns—Strasburg, Woodstock, and Mt. Jackson. Miss Morrison is an enthusiast and to an enthusiast, nothing is impossible. Although the Woodstock members thus far have been unable to give a benefit to help raise the chapter quota, through the efforts of Miss Morrison, contributions have been forwarded from Woodstock amounting to \$5.50. Cornelia *Switzer* Burkholder, of our chapter, contributed to the Missionary Scholarship fund. Dues amounting to \$10.00 have been forwarded.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLA *Paris* HEARD, *Secretary*.

LOWER VALLEY

During the year 1929-30 "Lower Valley" has held two meetings. Early in December Lillian *Harrison* Brown entertained the Chapter at her home in Charles Town, West Virginia.

at which time President Jarman, Miss Phoil, and a group of M. B. C. students were our guests of honor. Margaret *Gilkerson* Wray and Elizabeth Burns became members of the chapter and Anna *Wine* Rixey and Flora *Gibson* Huske were visitors.

On May third, we were in Winchester, Va., with Frances *Capper* Rodman. Mary Turk came down from Staunton and brought Lucy Walker with her and we had a most delightful meeting. The officers for the coming two years are Chairman, Frances *Capper* Rodman; Vice-Chairman, Elsie Rosenberger; Secretary-Treasurer, Virginia Silver.

Respectfully submitted,

KEIGHTLEY *Timberlake* WILSON, *Chairman*.

LYNCHBURG

There were three meetings held this past year, in October, January and April. On January the 22, we had a card party at which we made \$68.00. In April, we enjoyed a meeting with our Alumnae Secretary, Mary Turk. The pledge undertaken by our chapter for the National Association Budget was paid in full—\$50.00, and \$10.00 was sent to the Missionary Scholarship.

VICTORIA *Kimmier* QUICK, *Secretary*.

NEW YORK

The New York Chapter held two very successful meetings during the past year. In October a luncheon was given at the American Woman's Association Club in their attractive Chinese room, with twenty-two members and guests present.

Up to the last we hoped Miss Higgins would be with us, and it was a great disappointment to the members of the chapter that her duties required her presence in Staunton at that time.

One of our guests was Mrs. Mary *Morton* Timberlake, who gave us an interesting account of the celebration of the 100th anniversary of Miss Baldwin's birth and the reception to President and Mrs. Jarman at the Stonewall Jackson Golf Club on October 4, 1929.

Through the generosity of a friend we were enabled to engage Mrs. Katherine Tift Jones, well-known as "Calliope of the Radio" whose inimitable negro stories of the Old South were given a most enthusiastic reception.

So great was Mrs. Jones' success that the Advisory Committee (Bessie *Osborn* Scudder, Margaret *Cunningham* Craig, and Janet *Baker* Felter) deemed it worth an attempt to give a recital in March, with Mrs. Jones as our special attraction for the purpose of raising funds to carry on our work. When the husband of one of our members heard of this plan, he most generously offered to duplicate our net receipts up to a certain amount. With such an incentive we redoubled our efforts with the result that on March 8th, in the auditorium of the Barbizon Club, the New York Chapter held the most successful affair in its history.

The members gathered early to hear the message brought by Mary Turk, Alumnae Secretary, who told us of the College activities and the help that could be given by a strong and united alumnae.

The money realized at this time has enabled the Chapter to continue its subscription to the Missionary Scholarship Fund and to assist with the Alumnae Budget.

We are sometimes discouraged by our scattered membership, but the addition of new members and the real pleasure "old girls" derive from a chapter meeting encourages us to keep up the chapter and work constantly to strengthen and improve it.

Respectfully submitted,

JANETTA *Baker* FELTER, *Secretary-Treasurer*.

PHILADELPHIA

No Report

RICHMOND

The first meeting of the year of this Chapter was held on January 13th at the home of our President, Mrs. Cary Ellis Stern, and plans were perfected for a Thé Chantant to raise the yearly quota of this Chapter for the Alumnae Fund. Mrs. T. A. Cary graciously

offered her Monument Avenue home for this event on February 19th. Literally at the last moment, it was necessary to transfer from Mrs. Cary's home on account of death in her immediate family, to the home of Mrs. Stern on Grove Avenue. The changed location in no way affected the entire success of the gathering. Mrs. Henry Cabell, Jr., and Mrs. Charles King, two of Richmond's favorite soloists, and Mrs. Henry Stern, an accomplished violinist, rendered a beautiful program after which delightful sandwiches and tea were served. We are glad to report that the returns more than met the amount needed by the Chapter for its yearly quota.

In April, we had the pleasure of having as our honor guest, Miss Mary Turk, Executive Secretary of the Association. This meeting, at the home of our President, resulted in the election of all incumbent officers for an additional year of service.

Mrs. Harris Hart (Mary Olivia Gillespie), Mrs. Cary Ellis Stern, and Mrs. Adolph Homeier (May Taylor) were elected as delegates to Alumnae Day to be held in Staunton, on May 26th.

The Treasurer's report rendered by the President in the absence of Mrs. Chumbley, after the remittance of the Chapter's quota of \$100.00 to the Association, showed a balance of \$56.62 on hand.

Miss Turk presented a comprehensive account of the work of the National Alumnae Association and brought greetings to us from Mary Baldwin. Her address to this Chapter clearly proved that the Mary Baldwin Alumnae Association is indeed most fortunate in its selection of Miss Turk as Executive Secretary.

Delicious tea and sandwiches were served by Mrs. Stern to conclude a most valuable and enjoyable Chapter meeting.

During the year the Chapter has gained four new members, Mrs. Charles Fleming (Katherine Holt of Staunton), Annabelle Eubank, Louise Spencer, and Katherine See.

Among the notable achievements of the Chapter during the year, resulting from the efforts of Miss Kate Anthony, is the establishment of a scholarship for Mary Baldwin College in the John Marshall High School of this city. A committee headed by Mrs. T. A. Cary is exerting every effort to have Collegiate School establish a scholarship to Mary Baldwin College. The co-operation of the College seems to assure this for the coming year. We are proud that our Chapter is the first to accomplish results along this line.

In closing, let the Chapter express regret that more of its members cannot be present as this report is read. Be assured that it is the earnest desire of each Chapter member to be of service to the College through the coming year.

Respectfully,

GRACE Lee RANDOLPH, *Secretary*.

ROANOKE

No Report

ROCKBRIDGE

The chapter was entertained at a tea by Eddie Scott Jones during February and had the pleasure at that time of hearing the Alumnae Secretary, Mary Turk, and several of the college students who made attractive talks about school activities. A number of Lexington girls who will graduate from preparatory school this year were also guests of the chapter.

Chapter members were glad to co-operate in the sending of books for the College Library. New Officers for the year include Betty Morrison Sale, Chairman; Marshall Penick, Secretary; Treasurer (to be elected).

MARSHALL PENICK, *Secretary*.

SAVANNAH

No Report

STAUNTON

Contrary to its usual custom, the executive committee of the Staunton Chapter voted not to sponsor a musical attraction for the 1929-30 season, due to various local conditions. However, we have prospects for several outstanding events for this coming year and we

feel that after a year's rest, we should feel renewed interest and vigor to follow any projects our new Board sees fit to ask our co-operation in.

During this past year we paid \$250 to the National Association to aid it in its work of expansion; we paid \$100 to the Missionary Scholarship Fund; we put \$400 in bonds; and we have left a checking account for incidentals of over \$125. At present we are trying to emphasize paid up dues among our membership and to increase our number of active members.

One of the most outstanding events of the year was the reception honoring Mr. and Mrs. Jarman and sponsored by the National Association, on Miss Baldwin's birthday, and I speak for the entire membership when I say that the Staunton Chapter greatly enjoyed being among the guests there.

Later in the year, it was our pleasure to tender a reception to Miss Mary Turk, our National Secretary, so that all our local members might have an opportunity of making or renewing their friendship with her, and we felt that it was a very enjoyable occasion.

We have been most anxious for the Staunton Chapter to do her part in contributing books for the enlargement of the College library and have been urging the individual members to meet this obligation.

Our annual meeting was held Friday, May 16th, at the College. We had the pleasure of having Mary Turk and President Jarman talk to us and we received a great deal of information and inspiration from them. There was a good attendance and we felt the meeting was a success. At the election of officers, Constance Curry Carter was made our new chairman and a very efficient committee and board were also elected, so that we are expecting great things of the Staunton Chapter under their able leadership.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY BENHAM *Mitchell* BLACK, *Chairman*.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Though not outwardly so active as the previous year, the two regular meetings of the past year disclosed that the Washington Chapter has a live membership and one that is vitally interested in its Alma Mater.

The fall meeting was held in November at the home of Mrs. Lizzie Firor Trimble and Miss Flora Firor. In April, Katherine Shuey Kappler entertained us in her lovely apartment. Both meetings were enjoyable and encouraging and were well attended. No prepared program was followed at either. We have found that by the time the necessary business is transacted, reminiscences exchanged, and the present activities of the school discussed, there is very little time left for a program. Our hostesses add a social hour to the meetings by serving refreshments, and how those "old girls" do enjoy recalling by-gone days over the coffee cups!

At the fall meeting it was voted that \$50.00 be forwarded to apply on the Budget Plan. The birth dates of the members were taken and later sent to the National Secretary in order that the lovely Birthday greetings might be received.

Several of those present at the spring meeting reported that books had been sent for the Library, and quite a few contributions were made to the Missionary Scholarship Fund which impresses all with the fine work it is doing. Dues for the coming year were paid, and the Chapter was pleased to receive two new members—Mary Virginia Noel Evans and Agnes McClung West Burnet. All present expressed their desire to visit the school and attend the very interesting closing exercises. Much regret was voiced over the resignation of Miss Higgins as Dean. Over their own protest, Katherine Danner Mahood and Lizzie Firor Trimble were re-elected to serve for another year as President and Vice-President respectively. The Chapter feels very fortunate in having secured Margaret Daniel as Secretary-Treasurer for the coming year.

Though no definite plans were made, hopes were expressed that a joint meeting of the Washington Chapter and the Lower Valley Chapter might be held in the near future, and that we might have the privilege of entertaining Miss Turk at our next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

ELVA LEE *Chew* PORTILLO, *Secretary*.

ALUMNÆ SEND 3,281 BOOKS FOR COLLEGE LIBRARY

ALUMNÆ WEIGHED IN THE BALANCE AND FOUND—OVERWEIGHT!

That might be a distressing discovery for some individuals, but we assure you that the Alumnae Association and the College Library are willing to get fatter and fatter—with books.

How proud everybody at Mary Baldwin,—the College Board, the College administrators, the students, and the Alumnae Association—are of our alumnae! We did not doubt them in the beginning, but we're frank to say that our faith has been materially strengthened by the wonderful response that this request brought.

Books were sent in numbers ranging from 1 to 122 and they are still coming in.

While a letter of appreciation was sent to every individual donor we should like to say again how very grateful we are and how very proud!

Below we list a few gifts which might be of interest.

OLDEST BOOK: French Dictionary, published in Paris in 1818. Jane *Faulkner* White, '89, Martinsburg, W. Va.

BOOKS SENT FROM GREATEST DISTANCE: Two volumes of Ruskin, won as English prize 25 years ago. Sent from China by Mada McCutchan, '05.

LARGEST SET OF BOOKS: "Nations of the World" 60 volumes, sent by Nanola *Gillespie* Peery, '02, of Tazewell, Va.

MONEY CONTRIBUTED: \$231.86.

INTERESTING GIFTS:

Frances *Goyer* Taylor, '79, of Memphis, Tenn., sent a check for \$28.00 which is the insurance she receives from the death of a son lost in the World War. She never uses it for personal needs but gives it to some cause in which he would be interested.

Ethel *Gibbs* Lockridge, '93, sent a volume of Irving which she won as a prize in Latin.

Nettie *Brantley* Langley, '88, sent *Legal Execution and Other Short Stories*, of which she is author. One of the stories, "A Ghost of the Mansion," was written while she was a student at Mary Baldwin.

Roselle *Mercier* Montgomery, '91, autographed her poems, and is securing from other authors of note autographed volumes of their works.

Cornelia *Switzer* Burkholder, '71, sent a Latin Testament she used at Mary Baldwin in the year 1870-71.

The University of Virginia, Hampden-Sidney College and the Virginia State Library sent many valuable volumes which we appreciate for intrinsic value and as an indication of their interest.

ALUMNÆ NOTES

DEATHS

Alumnæ will be sorry to learn that Molly Boles, for many years a maid at Mary Baldwin, died on April 13, 1930. Molly was faithful and loyal and had many friends among Baldwin girls throughout the country. A representative group of faculty and students attended her funeral and a period of silent tribute was paid her during the school hours.

BIRTHS

- '15 Charles Hodge Risser, son of Elizabeth *Hodge* Risser, March 12, 1930.
- '18 James Lincoln, son of Margaret *Tynes* Fairley, May 14, 1930.
- '21 Henry Joe Poole, son of Mary Ella *Howard* Poole, May 17, 1930.
- '21 Beverley, son of Virginia *Sneed* Warner, May 12, 1930.
- '25 Herman Felter Blount, Jr., son of France's *Jeffreys* Blount, April 19, 1930.
- '25 Fonda Lee, daughter of Magdalene *Roller* Teufel, February 5, 1930.

MARRIAGES

- '16 Sidney Simmerman to Frank Scott Snyder, June 28, 1930, at Max Meadows, Va. Address, Gray Court Apts., Winston-Salem, N. C.
- '17 Zena Tutwiler to James L. Land, June 7, 1930, in Memphis, Tenn.
- '21 Margaret Augusta Fee to David Fayette Doering, Jr., July 5, 1930, in Washington, D. C. Address 14705 Norwood Ave., Forest Park, Baltimore, Md.
- '21 Katherine Sproul to Dr. Daniel C. Stickley, June 3, 1930, Bethel Church, near Staunton. Address Harrisonburg, Va.
- '22 Mary Elizabeth Perkins to Charles Wallace Horton, Jr., June 21, 1930, Greensboro, N. C.
- '24 Eleanor Folk to Robert E. McNeilly, June 24, 1930, in Nashville, Tenn.
- '25 Harriet Haines, of LeRoy Ohio, to M. D. Shumaker, October, 1929. Address 439 N. Bedford Drive, Beverly Hills, Calif.
- '26 Kathleen Goodloe to Arthur W. Crisfield, June 25, 1930, in Staunton, Va. Address, Staunton, Va.
- '26 Priscilla Robinson to Herbert C. Turner, Jr., on May 3, 1930. Address Berkeley Court Apts. 5040 City Line, Philadelphia, Pa.
- '26 Emily Ramsey to Carl Wm. Thompson, June 7, 1930, Front Royal, Va.
- '27 Betty Henderson to Tarbet H. Warren, April 5, 1930. Address 7420 Boyer St., Mt. Airy, Pa.
- '27 Nancy Day to Logan G. Hill, June 28, 1930, in New York City.
- '27 Ruby Heslep to Clyde C. Renelds, on June 3, 1930, Bridgewater, Va. They are living somewhere in Ohio.
- '27 Katherine Macdonald to Charles Ashmore Conklin, April 3, 1930, in Baltimore, Md.
- '28 Corinne Daniel to Walter Ray Granger, April 26, 1930, at Falls Church, Va.
- '28 Jane Constable to Francis M. Keefer, June 25, 1930, Elkton, Md.
- '28 Irene Wallace to Frank W. Dice, July 3, 1930, Churchville, Va.
- '29 Roberta Brinzendine to William Foster, May 8, 1930, at Mayfield, Ky.
- '29 Anna Catherine McMahon to Richard Kutzleb, Jr., June 23, 1930, in Baltimore, Md.
- '30 Cherry Harris to Pintard M. Dyer, Jr., December 25, 1929.

DO YOU KNOW

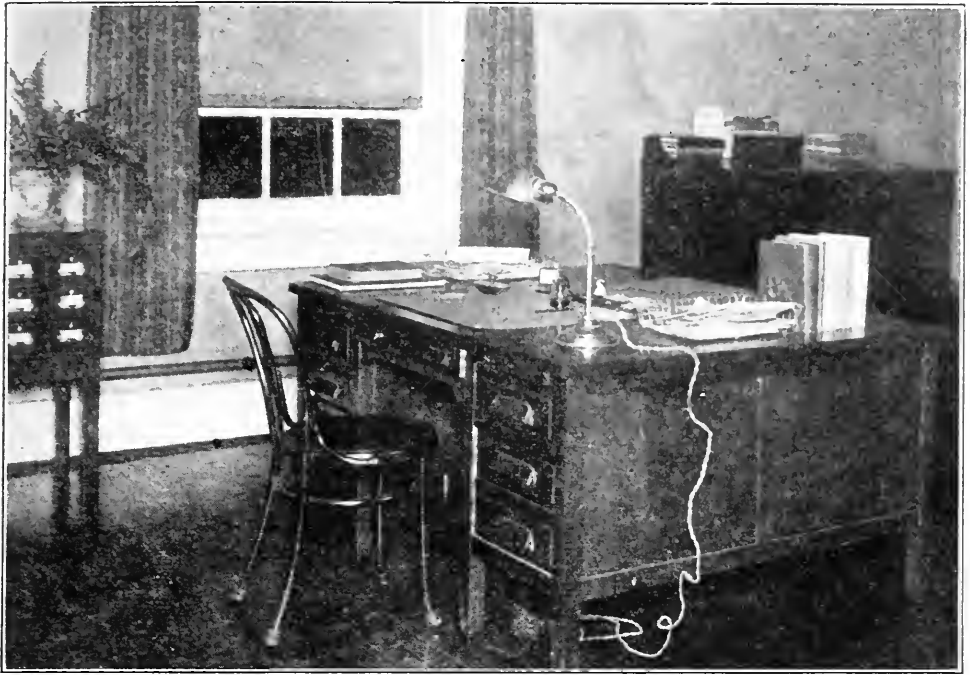
- '74 Sarah *Cooper* Sanders, of Washington, Ga., has become a life member of the Alumnæ Association.
- '86 Evelyn *Kinney* Renahan, of New York, has recently bought a very lovely estate in Staunton, and will make her home here.
- '89 Mary Stribling, of Martinsburg, W. Va., has been elected President of the W. Va. Division of the U. D. C.
- '91 Pearl *McColl* McLeod, of Perth, Ontario, Canada, is organizing a Canadian Chapter of Mary Baldwin alumnæ. A coincidence of this effort is that she discovered her for-

- mer roommate Elizabeth Beall Burruss living in East Toronto. All alumnae who reside in Canada are urged to communicate with Mrs. Bunyan McLeod, Perth, Ontario.
- '03 Anne Sloan, of Lonaconing, Md., has been travelling abroad since April.
- '04 Lola Kerr Willhelm has a daughter, Edna Alice, who graduated from the Julianne High School of Dayton, O., and a son, Hamilton, who received a B. S. degree from the University of Dayton, in June.
- '16 Lucy Woodward Walton has moved from Tennessee to 139 Ridgewood Court, San Antonio, Texas.
- '17 Ann Lee Stephens has moved to 1991 Suffolk Rd., Columbus, Ohio.
- '18 Elizabeth Buckner Maddin, of Nashville, Tenn., writes, "I visited Mary Lawton Johnson, '19, last summer in Meriden, Conn. I have four children and will send you a picture of them sometime soon."
- Elizabeth Craig, of the Shenandoah Valley, is Virginia's first artist of grand opera. After a series of triumphs in Italy she has returned to America. On February 15, she broadcast through KDKA to Admiral Bryd and his exploration party. Her first public concert was given in Waynesboro, Va., her native city, on February 20. Miss Craig is said to be planning a concert tour for the fall, and also considering operatic possibilities.
- '21 Mary Ella Howard Poole has moved from W. Va. to Rocky Point, N. C.
- '21 Gay Summers Jessup is in Shanghai, China where her husband, who is a naval officer, has been stationed for three years.
- '22 Louise Hodges was invited to take part on the Banquet program for Alumnae Day and wrote "I am sailing next week for Europe to spend the summer or I would certainly come. I'll always love Mary Baldwin better than any school—"Twas my first love."
- '22 Susannah Dodge Benson has moved to 703 Kentucky Ave., Mt. Lebanon, Pa.
- '24 Jane Henderson Gregory, '24, has moved from N. C. to 145 Springfield Rd., Elizabeth, N. J.
- '26 Pauline Woodward, with a party of college girls, is travelling through Europe this summer.
- '27 Phyllis Shumate who has been teaching school for the past two years is taking an extended trip through the West, visiting Yellowstone Park, etc.
- '27 Dorothy Curry is spending the summer abroad, principally visiting in Paris and Biarritz and touring other countries, in the late summer.
- '28 Nancy D. Johnston graduated in June from William and Mary College.
- '29 Helen McGlue attained the Freshman Honor List at Oberlin College, Ohio for the session 1929-30. Out of 312 Freshmen, only 32 were included in the list.
- '29 Ruth McQuire who attended Emory and Henry University last year was chosen the best dressed and prettiest girl there.

Alumnae who have visited the school recently include: Ruby Dawley Young, '10, Cleveland, Ohio; Edith Emily Holt Sams, '99, Clinton, Tenn.; Catheryne Watson Redfield, '19, N. Y. C.; Helen Hiner, '26, Franklin, W. Va.; Gertrude Brown Chaffee, '22, Canton, Ohio; Jean Kieffer, '29, Brownstown, Ind.; Mary Preston Thompson, '15 Poundling Mill, Va.; Olivia Feech Kent, '75, Louisville, Ky.; Evelyn Chase MacPherson, '02, Waynesboro, Va.; Effie Lacy Hale, '94, Natchez, Miss.; Anne Jones Richter, '24, Montclair, N. J.; Kathleen McCroan Barron, '14, Quitman, Ga.; Betty Nance Douglas, '90, Webster Groves, Mo.

We need news to make an interesting Do You Know column. If you have a new husband, a new baby, a new house, a new job, have lost weight, taken a trip, had your face lifted, know how to keep cool, or can tell us about any other Baldwin girl who has done any of these things or any others, send it in! Our news is limited to what we hear from you. Help us put the NEWS in a NEWSY NEWS LETTER.

COVENANTERS



The Alumnae Office situated in the west wing of Main, next to Prof. Schmidt's studio, has this year taken a definite place in the college. The alumnae secretary and her assistant are familiar figures to the students and faculty, and are cordially invited to participate in every feature and activity of college life. The office is open every day and the girls and teachers delight us with frequent visits on business and social errands.

This association is eager that the bond between the students and alumnae be a steadily growing one for it is in the present day student, that our "old girls" see themselves re-incarnated. These students are living the life we lived at Mary Baldwin, with like pleasures, disappointments, and triumphs. They are building the present history of our Alma Mater, as we built her past. They are deriving the benefit of our contribution to school life and are honor bound to build carefully and securely for those who will follow them.

As an indication of their seriousness we quote the AFTERWORD printed in *The Blue-stocking* of 1930:

"When the Seminary was shadowed by the clouds of the Civil War, Miss Mary Julia Baldwin with her clear vision and undaunted will guided our good ship Alma Mater across the frenzied seas of peril and want. So, as we take up our task of upholding the ideals and maintaining the traditions of Mary Baldwin College, may we always be true to the standard set for us in those days long ago."

In view of this feeling a comradeship has been born between alumnae and students. They are carrying into their new life the spirit and influence of Mary Baldwin and they are resolving as they go out, to be always worthy of it.

It has become a covenant and a promise between us—students and alumnae.



WILLIAM WAYT KING APPOINTED CUSTODIAN OF ENDOWMENT FUND

Alumnæ will be interested and delighted to know that although Mr. King found it necessary to resign from the office work and details incident to his position as Business Manager, he has accepted the appointment, by the College Board, as custodian of the endowment fund. Because the accumulation of these funds is due mainly to Mr. King's efforts and sound business judgment, we feel very fortunate in having him carry on his splendid work.

The success of Mary Baldwin as a Seminary was promoted and strengthened by the care Mr. King took, and the ability he showed, in managing and investing her funds. He has served at Mary Baldwin for forty years, having taken the position of business manager under Miss Baldwin in 1890, and is beloved by Mary Baldwin alumnæ all over the world.

These alumnæ are grateful to Mr. King for retaining his connection with Mary Baldwin and are happy in the knowledge that he will be working with us for her future.

COLLEGE LIFE

FIRST YEAR IMPRESSIONS

Any first year is interesting, and generally difficult. During the year just completed at Mary Baldwin, some very definite impressions have been gained. Certain contacts have been made. Many relationships have been observed and others established.

The President of the College is deeply appreciative of the loyalty and support of the Alumnae of Mary Baldwin. Opportunities for service to the College and to the President on the part of the Alumnae have been many. The services rendered have been invaluable.

In the first place, the Alumnae office has been functioning in the College. The policy of keeping a full-time Secretary has been adopted by the Alumnae Association. This means much to the institution, bringing the Alumnae organization into intimate contact with the College as it is today.

The Alumnae have rendered a definite service to the College during the past year, not only by maintaining their organizations, but by visiting the College from time to time. Those who are endeavoring to mould and guide the college life of today need to know the traditions and ideals of yesterday. The charm and grace of the students of a former day must be brought over to the student of today. Therefore, the visits of our Alumnae have a distinct value both to the administration and to the student body. The attendance at Commencement by the former students of Mary Baldwin was most happy. Our students came to know the type of womanhood and culture that has been the Mary Baldwin ideal for generations. The Alumnae learned that we are still working toward the same ideals under changed conditions, and with somewhat different methods. They realized anew that though educational methods, physical equipment, personnel, and social customs have all changed, girlish hearts are ever the same, and that in spite of outward changes, the heart of Mary Baldwin College of the twentieth century is the heart of Mary Baldwin Seminary of the nineteenth, and the purpose of her present administration is the purpose of her founders—the education of young women for happy, useful, Christian womanhood.

The opportunities given to the President to visit the various Alumnae Chapters have been a great help to him, as has also the privilege of meeting and knowing so many of the Alumnae.

An outstanding service of the Alumnae has been their splendid contribution to our College Library, their gifts amounting to fully three thousand volumes, thus enabling the College to meet the library requirement of the accrediting agencies. Equally important has been the interest of the Alumnae in sending to the College new students for the coming session. Students are coming to us from all parts of the country, sent by former students who believe in the College, and who have learned that we are now sponsoring a full college program, including all the activities of the modern woman's college, in the distinctive atmosphere and with the unique traditions of the Mary Baldwin of yesterday. Colleges can succeed today only as the Alumnae exert their utmost influence in selecting and sending to their college exactly the right type of student.

Personally, may I say that the interest, co-operation, and friendship of hundreds of Alumnae during the year just closing have been of immeasurable help in a necessarily difficult and trying task. The result is that we can report that the year has been most satisfactory, and that the outlook for the future is altogether bright.

L. WILSON JARMAN.

REGISTRATION

The College reports a most satisfactory enrollment for the coming session. There is an increase of more than one-third over the registrations of students for the corresponding date of last summer. In other words the enrollment as of July first is equal to that of August first of last year.

The business office and registrar's office are much pleased over this showing. Many of these students have been influenced by former Mary Baldwin girls in making their decision. The Alumnae are thus rendering a great service to the College in sending just the right type of girl to Mary Baldwin.

There was a decided increase last year over the enrollment of the preceding year, making the year just closed most successful. This additional increase in enrollment is most gratifying, and promises excellent things for the future of the College.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

"Student Government at Mary Baldwin" might in times past have been used as an exciting head line, bringing to some—horror, to others—a thrill of satisfaction.

Suffice it to say, concerning Student Government here—"It works"! A major offence was met and dealt with in a manner that could only strengthen the morale of the student body and inspire their confidence in the system of government under which they are living. Minor offenses have been cleared up with judgment and fairness and to the satisfaction of all, as evidenced by the continued popularity of this system among students.

Through the conscientious administration of officers, sincerity and good judgment of advisers, and the co-operation of the students, privileges which at first appeared amazingly radical—have become the delightful everyday happenings in a happy, responsible, student's life at Mary Baldwin College.

Y. W. C. A.

The religious life of the students is fostered under the auspices of the Young Women's Christian Association, which strives to reach every girl on the campus. The Sunday Vespers this year have been well attended and the programs were interesting and helpful. Several original pageants have been presented. Among the outside speakers heard were Mr. Darby Fulton, Dr. Campbell White, and Dr. W. A. T. Squires. Dr. James Taylor, of Washington, D. C., spent several days on the Campus and brought an individual message to every student.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Interclass competition is the keynote of the physical education program. Many sports, from Hockey and Swimming, to Archery and Golf, were offered during the year. Tournaments and meets have been run off by the Athletic Association. The winter season closed with an indoor demonstration of gymnastics, stunts, clogging and folk dances. The charming May Day program given on Alumnae Day was under the direction of the instructor in Physical Education, assisted by the Director of Spoken English.

CLUBS

Other phases of college life are expressed in the activities of the clubs. Each one of these organizations is sponsored by the head of a department and their membership is made up of girls registered in that department. They are Sock and Buskin, French, Spanish, Latin, Choral, Day Student, Psychology, and Music.

These clubs have had frequent meetings, at which times very charming and valuable programs have been presented. The Psychology Club was fortunate in securing various educators from the nearby universities.

The Latin Club celebrated the 500th anniversary of Virgil's birth with a series of plays and readings given in Chapel before the whole student body.

The most pretentious program given by the Sock and Buskin Club was *The Superior Miss Pellender*.

The Music Club has this year made a study of various composers and schools of music. The Glee Club, for the first time, entered a State competition, and won third place.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The social calendar of 1929-30 was replete with charming festivities, including the usual interclass parties and teas, the Red Heads' and Granddaughters' dinners, and the cotillion Club dances.

The College gave a beautiful dinner for Miss Higgins on the eve of her departure for Beverley Hall.

Three formal receptions were held. On these occasions the receiving line formed in the parlors and punch was served from the Dean's office. The Back Gallery was attractively decorated with flowers and candles, and made comfortable and attractive with benches and pillows. Here the programs were presented.

The Music Club entertained the Davidson College Glee Club after a performance given in Staunton by the latter. The Music Club officers received and guests included only the Davidson Club and the members of the Music Club.

The Y. W. C. A. Cabinet gave a reception for the delegates to the State Student Volunteer Conference. Officers of the Y. W. C. A. received and all visiting student delegates and the Mary Baldwin delegates were guests.

The Student Council innovated the custom of entertaining the student officers of M. B. C., Stuart Hall, A. M. A. and S. M. A. The Student Council received. Groups of Student Officers from the four schools arrived at intervals during the evening, and a continuous program was presented.

PUBLICATIONS

The Bluestocking Staff presented an Annual of distinctly fine quality this year. They, too, are carrying out the Anniversary theme and have prefaced each section of their book with quaint drawings after the Godey manner, and have incorporated in its contents much of the history of Mary Baldwin. The Annual which carries a beautiful dedication to Miss Marianna Parrimore Higgins, is a splendid piece of work.

The Miscellany continues to win honors. At the convention of the Virginia Intercollegiate Press Association the *Miscellany* was awarded the silver loving cup as the best literary magazine. The students are proud of the cup and of the distinction it carries.

Campus Comments is an interesting weekly paper published by a board of editors elected from the four college classes. It records events of interest in school life and strives, through its open forum wherein any girl may express constructive criticism, and through its editorials, to be instrumental in shaping the thought of the student body. It fills a definite need in college life.

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